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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY will Be here the 22nd. Post cards, novelties for decorations obtainable at JACKSON'S BOOK SHOP, 986-988 MAIN STREET

1,000 Homes Destroyed by Earthquake in Turkey

(Special from United Press.)
Constantinople, Feb. 18.—The earthquake in the Vilayet of Selahor in northern Asiatic Turkey destroyed at least a thousand houses in the Susherif district, but few persons were killed, according to more definite information received here today. The quake occurred on Tuesday and early reports gave the number of killed at thirty. Today's news does not increase this total.

CONTRACTORS WILL DINE.
To-night, at the Stratford, the Connecticut Association of Contractors will hold their annual dinner. One hundred contractors from all parts of the state will be present. "Thad" B. Beecher, agent for the Interstate Contractors, Builders and Dealers' Association, will be toast master.

MARRIED.
RAITE-POTTER—In Winsted, Feb. 16, Arthur Raite and Miss Ida Potter.
CARL-BAUDOUIN—In Winsted, Feb. 16, Oscar Carl and Miss Georgianna Baudouin.
BLADEN-EDMUNDS—In Stamford, Feb. 13, Miss Lillie Edmunds to Elisha Y. Bladen.
BEERS-GILBERT—In Weston, Feb. 8, Lyman Beers and Mrs. Lizzie Gilbert.

DIED.
CROWLEY—In this city, Feb. 17, 1909, Julia Crowley.
—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Christopher McGough, 511 State street, on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 8:30 a. m., and from Sacred Heart church at 9 a. m.
—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery. B 18 b *
COLLINS—In this city, Feb. 18, 1909, Catherine Collins, aged 31 years, 11 months.
—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, No. 304 Warren street, on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 9:30 a. m., and from Sacred Heart church at 10 a. m.
—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery. B 18 b *
MOSEHOUSE—In this city, Black Rock district, Feb. 18th, 1909, Jane M. Mosehouse.
—Friends are invited to attend the funeral at the residence of Capt. John W. Brittain, Ellsworth street, on Saturday, 20th inst., at 2:30 o'clock p. m.
—Burial in Fairfield East cemetery. B 18 b *
COOK—An anniversary high mass of requiem will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late Andrew T. Cook, at St. Augustine's church, on Friday morning, February 19 at seven o'clock.
—Relatives and friends are invited to attend.
WILSON—In Torrington, Feb. 13, John R. Wilson, aged 65 years.
CURTIS—In Norwalk, Feb. 14, Elbert Curtis, aged 89 years.
FAGON—In Norwalk, Feb. 14, James Fagon, widow of Thomas Fagon.
WHITE—In Darien, Feb. 13, Mrs. Carrie T. White.

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WANT ADS. CENT A WORD.

NO REHEARING IN HARBOR LINE MATTER

At Least None Unless Consent of New Haven Railroad Co. is Secured.

City's Petition Turned Down by War Department in a Letter from Assistant Secretary of War.

Attitude of Department of Small Consequence Since Equal Powers Over Harbor Lines Are Lodged in City and State—City Attorney Cullinan Makes Oliver's Communication Public.

City Attorney Thomas M. Cullinan has received from Robert Shaw Oliver, assistant Secretary of War, a letter in which the petition of the City of Bridgeport for a rehearing upon the location of a harbor line is refused, except upon terms impossible to comply with.

The city will be little embarrassed by this development, however, because under the opinion of former City Attorney James A. Marr, the state has power to lay harbor lines as ample as that possessed by the United States government, and power to delegate the same right to Bridgeport, and actually has delegated it.

If the matter were not entirely in the hands of the city and the state, the communication from the war department would be cold comfort for the city.

Mr. Oliver substantially says that no rehearing will be granted unless "releases are presented by all parties likely to be infringed," which in this instance means by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

The letter follows:
Sir—This department duly received your letter of August 5th, last, submitting a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Bridgeport, urging a reopening of the proceedings under which the harbor lines on the westerly side of Pequonnock River, Bridgeport harbor, approved by the Secretary of War, November 1905, were established, on the grounds that the citizens of Bridgeport were not granted a reasonable opportunity to be heard in the proceedings, and urging that such rehearing, if authorized, be held before some officer or authority other than Major Harry Taylor.

Replying thereto I beg to inform you that the War Department is not authorized to reopen cases of this kind except upon a convincing presentation of facts that such action is essential to the preservation and protection of the harbor, and that even then it feels constrained to decline such action unless releases are presented of all interests likely to be infringed, or satisfactory assurance given that the step will not give rise to any claim against the United States.

Very respectfully,
ROBERT SHAW OLIVER,
Assistant Secretary of War.
Feb. 6, 1909.

STRIKING HATTERS ARE STILL FIRM

Despite Efforts of Manufacturers Reported None Has Gone Back to Work.

(Special from United Press.)
South Norwalk, Feb. 18.—A telegram was received here to-day by a member of the hatters' union from Lamson & Hubbard, large hat manufacturers of Boston and members of the National Manufacturers Association, telling him to return to work. W. W. Lester, one of the leading officials of Croft & Knapp called on a number of hatters at their homes and besides offering a salary of \$3 a week, furnished the additional inducement of a personal conveyance to and from work. It is stated that in case the manufacturers lose the strike they will agree to pay the men's fine to the union in case they again wished to join.

Danbury, Feb. 18.—The hat factories in Bethel and city failed to open to-day in accordance with the rumor that originated in South Norwalk last week. The situation is practically the same as the day the strike was called and a settlement seems as remote as ever.

Car Barn Committee Meets to Make Plan

The committee on providing a means of ingress and egress for the proposed new car barns of the Connecticut Co., met last night with Mayor Lee, but little was done because of the absence of Chairman Benjamin Fletcher, who was unable to be present.

The plans of City Engineer McKenna, showing an entrance by way of Golden Hill street and an entrance by way of Gold street, were gone over as were the original plans of the railroad company for an entrance by way of Stratford avenue and Congress St. It was decided to visit the site of the building Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

FIRE ALARM FIEND GETS THREE MONTHS
John Szucs who rang in a false alarm of fire from box 245 a few months ago, changed his plea of not guilty in the Criminal Superior court this morning to guilty, and the court gave him three months in jail. A confession signed by the prisoner was shown.

TROLLEY CARS IN COLLISION.
(Special from United Press.)
New Haven, Feb. 18.—A head-on collision occurred on the trolley line to East Haven to-day when two cars came together at Dead Man's Switch. The car bound to this city was filled with people, there was a lively scramble when the cars collided. No one was killed although many of the passengers suffered painful injuries.

RAILROADS COMMITTEE TAKES STAND

Announces a Drastic Policy Relating to Trolley Road Franchises.

Right to Issue Stock and Bonds to be Held in Strict Conformity with General Law of State—When Existing Franchises May be Renewed.

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, Feb. 18.—A drastic policy regarding the issuance and renewal of trolley road franchises was to-day announced by the Railroads committee of the General Assembly who held an executive session. The statement reads as follows:

First—That in granting their extension of trolley franchises, the rights of the issuance of capital stock and bonds to be held in strict conformity with the general law of Connecticut. This is put an end to the granting of franchises by special legislation whereby lines are built from the proceeds of bonds and the capital stock held as a promoters' profit. The committee believes that this is simply another device for watering stock and that the public is asked to pay interest on such capitalization in the form of higher fares or decreased securities.

Second—That no existing trolley franchises will be renewed to a date later than the first day of November preceding the sitting of the next General Assembly unless 25 per cent. of such lines shall have been actually constructed. This is to prevent "dog-in-the-meat" franchises which are held and renewed from session to session to the exclusion of independent capital.

Third—That no more blank extension of franchises will be granted. If any company as a result of a prior merger or other reason shall desire independent franchises renewed they shall be required to submit a detailed statement of their location and condition shall be made to them. This is to prevent a company from grouping under a single clause the renewal of existing franchises of long standing and wide distribution. The committee believes that the General Assembly and the people of the state have a right to know just what is being renewed.

HOTEL CLERK FOUND BY WIFE

Mrs. Costigan Follows Her Erring Spouse from New York and Has Him Arrested in This City.

Albert Costigan, night clerk of the Atlantic Hotel, was arrested this afternoon by Detective Hackett on a warrant charging him with non-support. Mrs. Costigan reached town from New York today and located her husband.

She obtained a warrant from Assistant Prosecutor Wilder which landed her husband in a cell at headquarters. Mrs. Costigan had with her copies of papers issued by the United States court of the district of New York, ordering Costigan to pay a weekly allowance to his wife.

She also had a copy of an advertisement which her husband had inserted in a western paper, signed by his full name, soliciting a position as a "hotel clerk by a single man." Mrs. Costigan has been on the trail of her husband for months.

KNOX PROGRAM IN STATE OF MIXUP

Fitzgerald Stops Latest Scheme with Protest of "Unlawful."

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Feb. 18.—When the House convened today Representative John Dalsell of the committee on Rules, presented a special rule designed to clear the complications in regard to the appointment of Senator Knox as Secretary of State, discovered yesterday.

During the course of debate on the resolution, word came from the White House that the President had signed an enabling act passed on Monday, and during the salary of the Secretary of State to \$3,000. This makes it more than ever necessary to kill the provision for \$12,000 in the legislative bill if Senator Knox is to become eligible for President-elect Taft's cabinet.

DATE FIXED FOR UTILITIES HEARING

(By Our Special Correspondent.)
Hartford, Feb. 18.—The committee on judiciary fixed March 2, at 2 o'clock p. m., for a hearing upon the report of the Public Utilities commission and all bills relating thereto. Much pressure has been exerted upon the committee to fix an earlier date, but the hearing may be had upon the utilities bill.

DONOVAN WARMLY GREETED AT CAPITAL
(By Our Special Correspondent.)
Hartford, Feb. 18.—Former Senator Jeremiah H. Donovan visited the capital to-day for the first time during the session. He was warmly greeted by Senator Joseph W. Burrill, to whom he is well known. Many legislators regretted his absence from membership in the body at a time when so much legislation favorable to the people is proposed. Senator Donovan was defeated by 175 votes only while running on the Democratic ticket in a district which gave a majority of more than 2,000 for Taft.

BARNUM HEIRS OWN 984 SHARES OF A WATER STOCK

It is Valued at \$150 a Share and Totals \$147,000.

Upon This Basis Value of Property Measured by Its Capital Stock, is \$3,000,000.

Inventory of Property Left by Great Showman in Trust for Widow Discloses Interesting Facts—Much Money Loaned on Bridgeport Homes.

The inventory of the estate of the late P. T. Barnum, filed in the Probate Court, this morning, by the Connecticut Trust and Safe Deposit company, administrator de bonis non, discloses in the possession of the estate 984 shares of the stock of the Bridgeport Hydraulic company, which are valued at \$150 per share and appraised at a total value of \$147,000.

Upon this basis the market value of the entire capital stock of the company, which has a par of \$2,000,000, would be \$3,000,000.

The conservative appraisers of the Barnum estate evidently do not agree with the committee which made the 20 year contract, and which reported the value of the estate at \$1,470,000. As in the neighborhood of \$300 a share, giving an estimated total value of \$590,000 to the capital stock.

The statement is a list of the property owned by the company by Harold and Thomas Fish, administrators of the estate of the late Benjamin Fish, who was executor of the Barnum estate at time of his death. The total value of the estate is \$1,221,922.26, and includes a large assortment of securities, stocks and bonds. Many of the loans are to individuals residing in Bridgeport and are secured by mortgages upon local real estate. The Barnum fortune, while manipulated in Bridgeport, was available to many who desired to build homes here.

Bonds of the Housatonic railroad valued at \$1,000 are included; \$3,000 in Bridgeport 4 per cent. bonds due 1913; and 445 shares in the Pequonnock National Bank valued at \$30,825.

The Barnum & Bailey circus winter quarters are valued at \$50,000. The winter quarters with a house in Hanover street, valued at \$2,000, is the only real estate owned by the estate in this city.

Deaths and Funerals.
Miss Julia Crowley died last night at the home of her brother-in-law, Christopher McGough, 621 State St., after a brief illness.

Miss Catherine Collins died this morning at her late residence, 204 Warren street, after two months' illness. The deceased is survived by two sisters, Nellie of this city and Mary, of Columbia, South America.

The funeral of Rodolpha C. Bowers, widow of George H. Bowers, was held this afternoon, at 3 o'clock from her late residence, 58 Warren street. Rev. Mr. Brown, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. Interment was in Lakeview cemetery.

The funeral of Frederick C. Nichols was held this afternoon, at 3 o'clock from the residence of Mrs. John Wilson, at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Swanson, pastor of the Stratford Congregational church officiating. Interment was in Oaklawn cemetery.

Funeral services over the body of Daniel Hennessy, who died at the Bridgeport Hospital, were held this morning from the residence of his sister in law Mrs. James Halpin, Jr., 253 Madison avenue at 8:30 and from St. Augustine's church at 9 a. m., where Rev. Father Callahan sang a high mass of requiem. The pall bearers were John and Frank Gillick, James Burns and William Hough. Interment was in St. Michael's cemetery.

The funeral of John E. Murtagh was largely attended this morning from the residence of his sister, Mrs. John Kelly, 176 William street, at 8:30 and from St. Charles' church at 9, where Rev. Father Callahan sang a high mass of requiem. The floral tributes were unusually beautiful. During the mass, Josephine Clabby sang "Ave Maria" and at the offertory "Beautiful Land on High." Delegations were present from the local lodges of Eagles and Elks. The pall bearers were John A. Elks, T. A. McCool, and John Flood, from the Elks, and Thomas W. Reddy, George Griffin and John McDonough from the Eagles. Rev. Father Piper, of Germantown, Pa., read the committal service at the grave, in St. Michael's cemetery.

Funeral services over the remains of Catherine, widow of the late James Clancy, were held yesterday morning from her late residence, 419 Main St., at 8:30 and from the Sacred Heart church at 9, where a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Father Judge as celebrant, Rev. Father Sweeney as subdeacon. A delegation from the local lodges of Eagles and Elks, and many friends were present. The deceased was a member was present. The pall bearers were Michael McDermott, William Stevenson, Michael Neary, John Sullivan and John Curley. Rev. Father Matthew Judge accompanied the body to its last resting place in St. Michael's cemetery.

HOWLAND'S

Entrances on Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street.

Bridgeport, Conn., Thursday, February 18, 1909.
The Weather—Fair tonight; Friday, fair and warmer followed by rain.

Foulard silks.

Full of luster beauty softness and strength.

From a French maker and from an American who brides himself on making silks that equal the imported. Here is chance to compare them, to decide for yourself who excels.

Fashion's prediction is that foulard is to be the highly-favored silk for spring and summer of this year. If beauty counts, there is good chance that the prediction will come true. To a rich color, is added a luster that is delightful. Upon this color are new and tasteful patterns in white—cluster dots, narrow pencilings, oddly-pointed ovals; unique and pleasing designs, in a word.

There is a subtle depth of color, too. Browns, and greens, and blues—but not ordinary. Instead, individual and full of life and glow. But come, and see, and compare. Then decide which is best—the true-blue American or the French.

\$1 a yard.
Center aisle, rear.

Corset advice by a LaGrecque expert.

Special training and acquaintance with prevailing fashions as well as knowledge of corset construction, enable Madame Dearth to give worth-while advice. She is competent to aid in choosing a corset, because she knows these things. Her service is freely given under an arrangement which the store has made with the makers of LaGrecque corsets. You are invited to profit by that advice; to avail yourself of that service.

LaGrecque corsets are somewhat out of the ordinary. Each style is designed with an idea to fit and be comfortable upon a certain form. Each one is planned to give the fashionable carriage but to do it without any sacrifice of comfort or ease. To put it differently: LaGrecque corsets are all specialty corsets. This can be best shown you in showing you the corset itself which is planned for your individual need. Will you come and see it? It will pay.

Second floor.

THE HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

The young man drew forth a fine gold watch.
"Please regulate this," he said.
"A birthday present, eh?" said the watchmaker. "Now, listen, and I'll give you some pointers about how to keep this watch in fine condition."
"Wind it in the morning instead of at night."
"At least once a year have it oiled. Remember that its balance swings 13,000 times a year, all on one little drop of oil. A wheelbarrow wouldn't stand such a load, and it would shriek for lubrication, but the small voice of the watch cannot be heard."
"After mending or cleaning examine your watch's screw heads and frames. If they are scratched the workman has been careless. He is a man to be avoided. Patronize him no more."
"Don't grumble if your mainspring breaks. This accident is due to some unknown condition of the weather. There are mainspring epidemics, like influenza ones. Just now such an epidemic is afoot. I have taken out sixty fractured mainsprings this week."
New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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Y. M. C. A. Principal
Marries Miss Baumann

Mr. John A. Broadhead, principal of the Y. M. C. A. day school for apprentices, was married last night, at Bethlehem, Penn. His bride was Miss Hazel A. Baumann, daughter of Mrs. James Baumann of Bethlehem. Mr. and Mrs. Broadhead, after a honeymoon trip will make their home, at 1315 Park avenue.

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At every point, the cost of making and selling Howland machines is as low as possible. They are made for the store by a factory that works along definite lines and uses every device to produce efficient machines at small expense. Everything that goes into them is best—is so good that every machine is warranted for 10 years. Then that factory sells its machines for cash. It does not worry over the selling to the house-wife. It spends no money to get that market. It sells to big dealers—and for cash. It gets its money quickly and is satisfied with a reasonable profit on many machines is better than a small one on a lot of machines.

That is the way Howland machines are made and how they get to the store. We sell them the same way. We pay no commissions to agents. We maintain no expensive staff of sewing-machine office men. Instead, we handle them as other merchandise and at a fair profit. We sell them for cash, too, and can afford to fix a low price. \$15, \$25, \$32; these are wonderfully low prices for such machines as the Eclipse and the Reliance and the Charter Oak.

For a limited time we shall sell these machines at these cash prices on easy terms. That is what the Howland club is for. We invite anybody who wishes to own such a sewing-machine as we have told of, and at such a price, and in such an easy way, to join the Howland club. It costs nothing to learn all about the club. To join, and have a machine at once sent to your home, costs but

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Worth looking into, is it not?
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